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Applicants' attorney notes that all of the above-listed documents are in the English language, with the exception of International (PCT) Publication No. WO 99/47252, which is in the German language. The English-language abstract published with the aforesaid PCT publication is provided herewith. If the Examiner wishes to have a translation of the entire application, or any portion thereof, Applicants will endeavor to

provide one.

Applicants respectfully bring the following non-patent references to the Examiner's attention: K. Park, Controlled Drug Delivery: Challenges and Strategies, (Am. Chem. Soc., Washington, D.C., 1997); and R.F. Egerton, Electron Energy-Loss Spectroscopy in the Electron Microscope (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed., 1996). These references were cited in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/954,922 ("the '922 Application", cited herein as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0163714), which is commonly-owned with the present application. Copies of these references are not submitted herewith because of their voluminous nature and the likelihood that they are available to the Examiner. If, however, the Examiner so requests, Applicants will endeavor to provide copies of the materially relevant sections.

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